65th LEGISLATURE—REGULAR SESSION

PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—DISTRICT FIRE-FIGHTING ACTIVITIES

H. J. R. No. 42

Proposing amendments to the Texas Constitution authorizing certain districts to engage in fire-fighting activities and to issue bonds or other indebtedness or to issue bonds or otherwise lend their credit for fire-fighting purposes.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article III, Section 52, of the Texas Constitution, be amended by adding Subsection (d) to read as follows:

"(d) Any defined district created under this section that is authorized to issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit for the purposes stated in Subdivisions (1) and (2) of Subsection (b) of this section may engage in firefighting activities and may issue bonds or otherwise lend its credit for fire-fighting purposes as provided by law and this constitution."

Sec. 2. That Article XVI, Section 59, of the Texas Constitution, be

amended by adding Subsection (f) to read as follows:

"(f) A conservation and reclamation district created under this section to perform any or all of the purposes of this section may engage in fire-fighting activities and may issue bonds or other indebtedness for fire-fighting purposes as provided by law and this constitution."

Sec. 3. The foregoing constitutional amendments shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of this state at an election to be held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1978, at which election the ballots shall be printed to provide for voting for or against the proposition: "The constitutional amendments authorizing certain districts to engage in fire-fighting activities and to issue bonds or other indebtedness or to issue bonds or otherwise lend their credit for firefighting purposes."

Passed by the House on May 20, 1977: Yeas 126, Nays 2, 1 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 27, 1977: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

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